

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 7, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah received moisture throughout the state that limited fieldwork due to wet conditions, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated surplus fell from 41 percent last week to 34 percent. Good condition ratings for cattle and calves fell from 58 percent to 50 percent and sheep and lambs from 64 percent to 55 percent. The percentage of cattle and calves receiving supplemental feed is 86 percent, compared to 82 percent from a year ago. Box Elder County reports hay supplies are diminishing and alfalfa is just breaking dormancy. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 9 percent very short, 43 percent short, 42 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 5 percent short, 90 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	• ,	,	•	
Planted	35	20	38	38
Emerged	6	4	NA	NA
Cattle and calves				
Cows calved	75	50	72	63
Receiving supplemental feed	86	87	82	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Ewes lambed – farm flock	65	50	70	51
Ewes lambed – range flock	37	12	28	24
Sheep shorn – farm flock	35	15	NA	NA
Sheep shorn – range flock	33	6	NA	NA
Receiving supplemental feed	62	65	78	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	4.0	3.5	5.7	5.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short			8	5
Short	2		11	24
Adequate	64	59	75	61
Surplus	34	41	6	10
Subsoil moisture				
Very short		1	8	6
Short	2	5	35	29
Adequate	76	68	57	60
Surplus	22	26		5

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range	• ,	* ,	* ,	
Very poor		8	4	2
Poor	20	23	8	9
Fair	45	38	55	44
Good	23	26	33	42
Excellent	12	5		3
Winter wheat				
Very poor			6	2
Poor	6	6	17	7
Fair	24	26	36	27
Good	58	52	31	52
Excellent	12	16	10	12
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor	8	7	1	1
Fair	35	32	21	21
Good	50	58	78	70
Excellent	7	3		8
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				
Poor	10	7	1	1
Fair	30	28	27	22
Good	55	64	71	70
Excellent	5	1	1	7

NA – not available

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